



# SC Annual School Report Card Summary

Tamassee-Salem Middle  
Oconee

Grades: 6-8

Enrollment: 110

Principal: Steve M.R. Moore

Superintendent: Dr. Michael Lucas

Board Chair: Harry B. Mays, Jr.

## PERFORMANCE

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YEAR	ABSOLUTE RATING	GROWTH RATING	PALMETTO GOLD/SILVER AWARD	AYP STATUS	NCLB IMPROVEMENT STATUS
2008	Average	Average	TBD	Met	N/A
2007	Below Average	At-Risk	N/A	Not Met	N/A
2006	Below Average	At-Risk	N/A	Not Met	N/A

## ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF MIDDLE SCHOOLS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS\*

EXCELLENT

0

GOOD

0

AVERAGE

13

BELOW AVERAGE

32

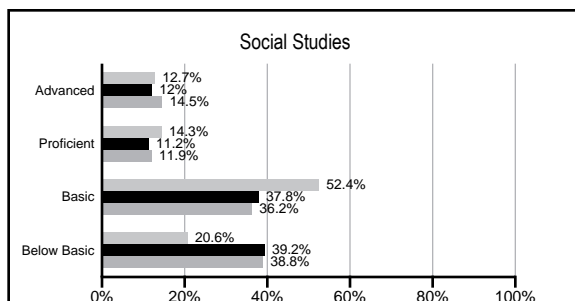
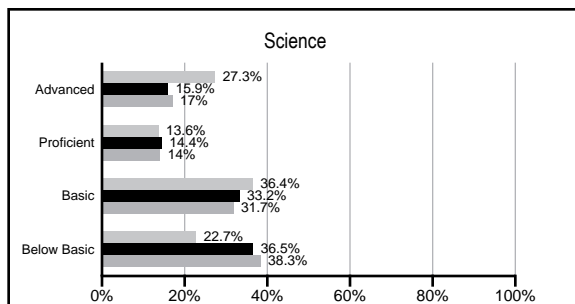
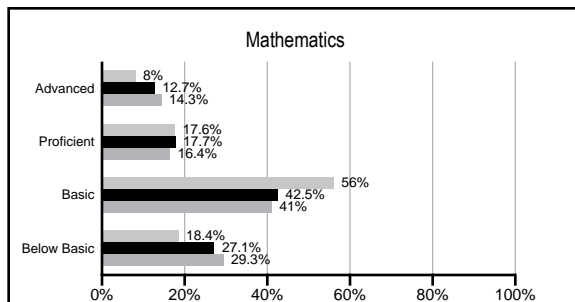
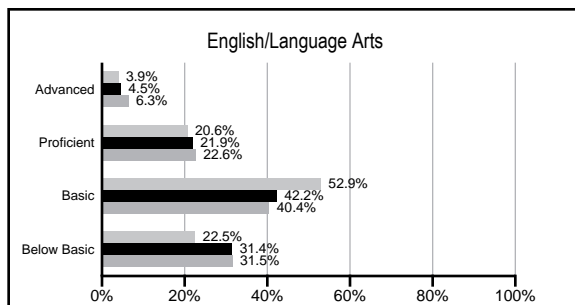
AT-RISK

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\* Ratings are calculated with data available by 03/02/2009. Schools with Students like Ours are Middle Schools with poverty indices of no more than 5% above or below the index for this school.

## PACT PERFORMANCE

Our School Middle Schools with Students Like Ours Middle schools statewide



## NAEP PERFORMANCE\*

\* Performance reported for SC and nation, data not available at school level. Percentages at NAEP Achievement Levels.

### READING - GRADE 8 (2007)

South Carolina	31	44	23	2
Nation	27	43	27	2
% Below Basic % Basic, Proficient, and Advanced Below Basic Basic Proficient Advanced				

### MATH - GRADE 8 (2007)

South Carolina	29	39	24	7
Nation	30	39	24	7
% Below Basic % Basic, Proficient, and Advanced Below Basic Basic Proficient Advanced				

### SCIENCE - GRADE 8 (2005)

South Carolina	46	31	21	2
Nation	43	30	24	3
% Below Basic % Basic, Proficient, and Advanced Below Basic Basic Proficient Advanced				

## END OF COURSE TESTS - 2008

% of students scoring 70 or above on:	Our Middle School	Middle Schools with Students Like Ours
Algebra 1/Math for the Technologies 2	91.3%	97.1%
English 1	0%	95.2%
Physical Science	0%	76.9%
All Subjects	91.3%	96.0%

## SC PERFORMANCE GOAL

2010 Goal:

*By 2010, SC's student achievement will be ranked in the top half of the states nationally. To achieve this goal, we must become one of the fastest improving systems in the country.*

2020 Goal: TBD

### Abbreviations Key

N/A Not Applicable N/AV Not Available N/C Not Collected N/R Not Reported I/S Insufficient Sample TBD To be determined

NI Newly Identified CSI Continuing School Improvement CA Corrective Action RP Plan to Restructure R Restructure DELAY School Improvement Status HOLD School Improvement Status

Tamassee-Salem Middle [Oconee]

SCHOOL PROFILE

	Our School	Change from Last Year	Middle Schools with Students Like Ours	Median Middle School
Students (n=110)				
Students enrolled in high school credit courses (grades 7 & 8)	62.0%	Up from 51.0%	19.2%	19.4%
Retention rate	0.0%	Down from 1.5%	1.6%	1.8%
Attendance rate	95.0%	Down from 96.0%	95.9%	95.8%
Eligible for gifted and talented	3.6%	Down from 7.2%	16.9%	15.3%
With disabilities other than speech	31.3%	Up from 26.8%	14.3%	12.9%
Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent &/or criminal offenses	2.7%	Down from 6.8%	0.6%	0.7%
Annual dropout rate	0.0%	No Change	0.0%	0.0%
Teachers (n=18)				
Teachers with advanced degrees	0.0%	N/A	53.4%	55.0%
Continuing contract teachers	100.0%	N/A	73.8%	70.6%
Teachers with emergency or provisional certificates	0.0%	N/A	5.4%	5.4%
Teachers returning from previous year	N/A	N/A	84.4%	83.4%
Teacher attendance rate	94.8%	Up from 94.2%	94.8%	94.9%
Average teacher salary	N/A	N/A	\$44,220	\$44,706
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	0.0%	No Change	2.8%	2.9%
School				
Principal's years at school	5.0	Up from 4.0	3.0	3.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	16.7 to 1	Down from 18.6 to 1	19.6 to 1	20.1 to 1
Prime instructional time	89.5%	Up from 88.1%	89.2%	89.3%
Opportunities in the arts	Good	No Change	Good	Good
SACS accreditation	Yes	No Change	Yes	Yes
Character development program	Excellent	Up from Good	Good	Good
Dollars spent per pupil*	\$5,831	Up 7.0%	\$6,993	\$7,097
Percent of expenditures for instruction*	N/A	N/A	64.8%	64.4%
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries*	61.5%	Up from 58.7%	60.1%	59.4%
% of AYP objectives met	100.0%		68.5%	69.0%

\* Prior year audited financial data available.

EVALUATION RESULTS

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	12	29	16
Percent satisfied with learning environment	91.7%	89.3%	87.5%
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	100.0%	96.6%	87.5%
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	72.7%	100.0%	87.5%

\*Only students at the highest middle school grade level at this school and their parents were included.

REPORT OF PRINCIPAL AND SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL

School Year 2007-08 has brought opportunity of change for faculty, staff, parents and students. Focus on developing the culture of a learning community where everyone has a stake in the success of our students and school has been an emphasis with major emphasis on student achievement and success.

Student success in academics, arts and athletics has been at the forefront of our mission to develop self-confident learners. Students have been identified to participate in academic programs for assistance while others have had the opportunity to participate in an accelerated program through the SC Virtual School Program. Student results for meeting state standards and our goals for achievement are within the grasp of our young people.

Our faculty continues its efforts of Professional Growth with teachers participating in national and state level conferences. Five teachers are currently working to advance their degrees and hope to have their Master's Degree in Education by Spring 2009.

With the assistance from our School Improvement Council, we have reviewed data, school procedures and the goals which we believe we will accomplish. The SIC has been active in reviewing school progress, data, goals and participating in Parent Advisory meetings. The SIC worked to reestablish the Parent, Teacher, Student Advisory program. With much accomplished the SIC applied for the Dick and Tunkly Riley Award sponsored by the State SIC. While TSMHS did not receive the award, much ground work has been laid for future accomplishments.

We are very proud of the achievements of our students, faculty and staff. This year we were recognized as being "One of the Nations Best High Schools" by US News & World Report. We also achieved the status of having the 3rd Highest SAT average for high schools in the state. We look forward to continued success of our students as we prepare them for the global world of career opportunities.

Steve M.R. Moore, Principal

Our School Improvement Council serves as an advisory committee to Mr. Moore and the faculty. Our focus is to bring together parents and community members to collaborate on the academic and social development of all students. I would like to thank our current council. We have worked hard this year meeting on a monthly basis and discussing important issues that we need to face. We encourage parents to become involved. Everyone has something to contribute.

Kym Alexander, Chairperson  
The School Improvement Council

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